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PART II - MISCELLANEOUS NOTIFICATIONS OF INTEREST TO THE PUBLIC

NOTIFICATIONS BY HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS Etc.,

COLLECTOR & DISTRICT MAGISTRATE GUNTUR

Rc.No.415/2009/C4. Dated: 07-02-2024.

CASTE STATUS VERIFICATION - GUNTUR DISTRICT - GUNTUR TOWN & MANDAL - ENQUIRY AND VERIFICATION OF "BEDA JANGAM-SC" CASTE CERTIFICATE IN RESPECT OF Sri GARIKAPARTHI GANESH S/o MANOHAN, EX-INSPECTOR CONTROL, SECURITY PRINTING PRESS, MINT COMPOUND, SAIFABAD, HYDERABAD - DLSC RECOMMENDATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR - CONSIDERED.

- Read: 1. Lr.No.47/01/09-Ser,dt.30.3.2009 of the Director, National Commission for Scheduled Castes, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
 - 2. Lr.No.SPP/A1/2008-09/Vfn.Certificate/8540,dt.27/28.1.2009 addressed to the Director, National Commission for Scheduled Castes, Hyderabad.
 - 3. This office Notice dt.4.12.12.
 - 4. Lr.No.SPP/HR/2014-15/PR No.679/VC/5678, dt.4.3.15 of Dy.Manager (HR), Security Printing & Minting Corporation, Hyderabad.
 - 5. Representation of Garikaparthi Ganesh dated 29.1.2017.
 - 6. Lr.Rc.A1/204/2016, dated 14.3.2017, 13.6.2017 of the Joint Director, Social Welfare, Guntur.
 - 7. Representation filed by Sri Garikaparthi Ganesh Beda Jangam (SC) dated 3.7.2017 before the JointCollector, Guntur.
 - 8. Memo No.14024/28/2017-SER.II/REV, Govt.of Andhra Pradesh, Velagapudi.

- 9. W.P.No.5812 of 2019 filed by the Deputy Manager(HR), Security Printing Press, Hyderabad.
- 10. Findings of the District Level Scrutiny Committee dt.21.01.2023.
- 11. This Office Notice dt.03.02.2023.
- 12. Written Contentions dt.16.02.2023 filed by Sri Garikaparthi Ganesh S/o Manohan before the Collector & District Magistrate, Guntur.

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ORDER:

The Director, National Commission for Scheduled castes, Hyderabad forwarded the representation of Sri R.K.Madiga stating that Sri Ganikaparthi Ganesh is working in Security Printing Press with bogus "BEDA JANGAM - SC" certificate and also informed that the Administrative Officer, Security Printing Press, Hyderabad has informed that Sri Ganesh presently working as Inspector Control in Group-C Establishment and he was appointed as Head Checker on 23.12.1983 and claimed to belong to the "Beda Jangam-SC" caste on the basis of the caste certificate produced by him in the post reserved for SC category and requested to cause enquiry and take necessary action.

As per the instructions of the Collector & District Magistrate, Guntur the matter was referred to the D.L.S.C. for deciding of "BEDA JANGAM - SC" caste claim of Garikaparthi Ganesh. Notices were issued and the individual with 2 supporters appeared before the committee on 29.01.2013 and gave statements as follows:

Sri Garikaparthi Ganesh S/o Manohan stated that he is working as Inspector Control, Security Printing Press, Mint compound, Saifabad, Hyderabad, his native place is Guntur Town, his Date of Birth is 2.8.1955, his father's name is Manohan, Mother's Name is Koteswaramma, he belongs to BEDA JANGAM - SC caste, his father side ancestors belong to Guntur, his mother side ancestors also belong to Guntur, Tenali and Krishna District. He does not know about the particulars of relatives of his father and mother. The following are the children to his parents.

- 1.G.S.N.Syam, Eldest brother. He worked as officer in Drugs Control Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh and retired from service, now staying in Hyderabad.
- 2. G.Suman, 2nd Brother. He worked as Officer in RBI., retired and now staying in Hyderabad.
- 3. G.Ramesh, 3rd brother worked as Officer in Karur Vysya Bank and retired now staying in Hyderabad.
- 4.G.Eswar, 4th brother worked as Clerk in South Central Railway and residing in Hyderabad.
- 5. G.Ganesh Self

SISTERS:

- 1. G.N.Brahmaramba unmarried aged 70 Yrs., staying in Old Age Home in Hyderabad.
- 2. K. Hemalatha W/o. Veerabhadrudu staying in Hyderabad.
- 3. G. Vijayalakshmi W/o.Umasankar, staying in Bangalore.

Particulars of his education:

VI, VII Class .. Majeti Guravayya High School, Brodiepet, Guntur

VIII, IX & X Class .. Pattabhipuram Municipal High School, Guntur

Inter, B.Sc., Degree .. T.J.P.S.College, Guntur completed in 1977

His caste was recorded as 'Jangam' in the school/college records.

He obtained BEDA JANGAM - SC certificate from MRO/Tahsildar, Guntur in the year 1982 & 1983 and registered with Employment Exchange in the year 1982. After getting call letter from the Employment Office, Hyderabad, he again obtained caste certificate from the Tahsildar, Guntur in the year 1983. He joined as Head Chequer in Security Press, Saifabad, Mint Compound, Hyderabad during December 1983. He got the job under S.C. Reservation basing on the Bedajangam - SC caste certificate. His caste customs/traditions are as follows:

- 1. wear VIBHUDI (విభూది దారీస్)
- 2. Perform the funeral rituals in Mala and Madiga and other castes.
- 3. walk before the corpus procession
- 4. blow conch (శంఖము ఊధుట)
- 5. ring bells (గంటలు మోగించుట)
- 6. act as priest to Mala, Madiga castes especially after the cremation, go back to the deceased house along with the relatives of the deceased
- 7. paid 'BEDA' in olden days for performing the above rituals. Beda in present terms is equal to 12 paise. Therefore their caste people are known as 'BEDA JANGAMAS'
- 8. remarriage of widows and divorced women is prevalent in otheir caste. The tell stories and recite some of the Hindu legends like ధక్ష యజ్ఞం, భక్త సిరియాళ, పల్నాటి బాలచంద్రుడు) by using తంబూర and బుడగ. These stories are known as జంగం కథలు. Therefore the Bed Jangams are also called as బుడగ జంగమలు. Their family surname is also published in Beda Jangam caste literature as గరికపాటి instead of గరికపర్తి

Their Food habits:

They eat rice, cereal, Jonna

Pooja articles

They use conch (శంఖము ఊధుట) bell known as నందిగంట, తంబూర, బూడిగ

They worshiping Lord SHIVA

Their Guru gives రుద్రాక్ష PQ with శివలింగం

They perform all Hindu festivals

Both of his parents died. His father died in the year 1991, mother died in 1998. He does not know the address particulars of his brothers and sisters and he has got no information about them.

His father G.Manohan worked as Revenue Officer at Kadapa, Proddutur and retired from service in 1969. He died in the year 1991. He does not know the particulars of caste entered in his father's service book and it is not available with him. He was married in the year 1984, his wife's

name Sandhya Rani D/o.Chirumella Saradamba who were residents of Hyderabad. His wife belongs to Jangama caste. His wife studied upto intermediate. He has one son and one daughter.

- 1.G.Naga Rajesh is his son studied B.Tech. D.O.B. 1986 unemployee
- 2.G.Harshini his daughter studied upto B.Tech. (5 yrs. course) D.O.B. 1988, un married, doing private job at Bangalore.

His children not claimed BEDA JANGAM caste.

Sri Udayagiri Venkata Krishna Raju S/o.Chalamadasu, resident of Butchaiah thota, 3rd line, Guntur stated that he belongs to Mala Dasu caste and their caste people engage the service of Beda Jangam people at the time of funeral ceremony of Mala Dasu caste people. He stated that when his grand father died, the grand father of Sri Garikaparthi Ganesh who belongs to Beda Jangam performed funeral rites of his grand father by walking before the dead body by ringing a bell and blowing conch.

Sri Suddakattu Anjaiah S/o.Venkateswarlu, resident of Butchaiah Thota,6th line, Guntur stated that he belongs to Mala Dasu caste and the grand father of Sri Garikaparthi Ganesh who belongs to Beda Jangam walked before the dead body of his grand father by ringing a bell and blowing conch as per their caste customs.

The following documents produced by the individual in support of his caste claim:

- 1. Copy of Service Register of Sri Garikaparthi Ganesh caste column is noted as BEDA JANGAM
- 2. Copy of Caste certificate issued by the Tahsildar, Guntur dt.30.9.1982 in respect of G.Ganesh S/o.Manohan caste noted as Beda Jangam
- 3. Copy of Caste certificate issued by the Tahsildar, Guntur dt.15.10.1983 in respect of G.Ganesh S/o.Manohan caste noted as Beda Jangam
- 4. Copy of Caste certificate issued by the MLA., Guntur Assembly Constituency dt.27.9.1988 in respect of Garikaparthi Madan Mohan caste noted as Beda Jangam
- 5. Copy of Caste certificate issued by the Mandal Revenue Officer, Guntur dt.23.3.1989 in respect of Garikaparthi Venkata Ramana S/o.Madan Mohan caste noted as Beda Jangam
- 6. Copy of Caste certificate issued by the Revenue Divisional Officer, Guntur on 28.7.1987 to Sri Garikaparti Venkata Nagabadram Devar S/o.G.Madan Mohan, Guntur Town & Mandal caste noted as Beda Jangam.
- 7. Copy of Caste certificate issued by the Revenue Divisional Officer, Ongole on 07.7.1988 to Sri Marripudi Mallikarjuna Rao S/o.Sankaralingam, Tatuvaripalem of Martur Mandal of Prakasam District caste noted as Beda Jangam
- 8. Copy of Caste certificate issued by the Sub Collector, Kandukur on 03.2.1987 to Sri Gandhavalla Ratnaiah S/o.Subbaiah, Davaguduru village of Jarugumalli Mandal of Kandukur Division of Prakasam District caste noted as Beda Jangam.
- 9. Copy of Caste certificate issued by the Mandal Revenue Officer, Edlapadu on 24.3.1987 to Rajaiah Nunna S/o.Ankaiah r/o.Lingaraopalem of Edlapadu Mandal caste is noted as Beda Jangam

Further, the individual again attended before the DLSC on 22.4.2013 along with Sri Dhupam Satyam and Sri Kollipara Venkateswara Prasad claiming to be his relatives and produced the following documents in support of his caste claim

- 1. Copy of the certificate No.VZS/P&A/99, dt.5.5.1999 issued by the Manager (Personnel) Hindustan Zinc Limited, Visakhapatnam that Sri D.Satyam, E.No.41119 is working in their organization belongs to BEDA JANGAM.
- 2. Copy of the Service Register, Identity card and the caste certificate issued by the Tahsildar, Viyyampeta on 21.3.83 to Sri I.Nellakantam S/o.Pyditalli who retired from A.P.Fire & Emergency Dept.
- 3. Copy of Service Register, caste certificate issued by the Revenue Divisional Officer, Visakhapatnam to Sri Lokanadam Nukaraju S/o.Paidaiah on 10.5.1999 and ID card issued by the Visakhapatnam Steel Plant.
- 4. Confirmation letters of caste of G.Ganesh S/o.Manohar issued by the President, Scheduled Castes Welfare Association, Visakhapatnam & the President, Andhra Pradesh Beda (Budaga) Jangam Sangham, Nellore.
- 5. Copy of Identity card of Sri Dhupam Satyam S/o.Suryanarayana issued by Income Tax Department, Govt.of India & Copy of the caste certificate issued by the Rev.Divl.Officer, Visakhapatnam to Sri Dhupam Satyam S/o.Suryanarayana on 13.8.1999.
- 6. Written statements filed by Sri Dhupam Satyam, Sri L.Nukaraju & I.Neelakantam.
- 7. Copy of Community certificate issued by the Tahsildar, Emani on 24.9.82 to Kollipara Venkateswara Prasad S/o.Anjilingam; Identity card issued by the Election Commission of India.
- 8. Copy of the Caste certificate of Sri G.Ganesh S/o.Manohar issued by the Tahsildar, Guntur on 30.9.82.
- 9. Copy of the Caste certificate of Sri G.Ganesh S/o.Manohar issued by the Tahsildar, Guntur on 15.10.83.
- 10. Copy of Caste certificate of Garikiparty Naga Rajesh S/o.G.Ganesh.
- 11. Copy of Caste certificate of Garikiparty Harshini D/o.G.Ganesh.
- 12. Copy of the caste certificate of Sri Garikaparthi Venkata Ramana S/o.Madan Mohan issued by the MLA., on 27.9.88.
- 13. Copy of the caste certificate of Sri Garikaparthi Venkata Ramana S/o.Madan Mohan issued by the Mandal Revenue Officer, Guntur on 23.3.1989.
- 14. Copy of the caste certificate of Sri Garikaparthi Venkata Nagabhushan Devar S/o.Madan Mohan issued by the Rev.Divl.Officer, Guntur on 28.7.87.
- 15. Copy of caste certificate of Sri Marripudi Mallikarjuna Rao S/o.Sankara Lingam, Tatavaripalem of Martur Mandal issued by the Rev.Divl.Officer, Ongole.
- 16. Copy of the Caste certificate of Sri Gandhavalla Ratnaiah S/o.Gandhavalla Subbaiah, Davaguduru village of Jarugumalli Mandal, Prakasam District issued by the Sub Collector Kandukur on 3.3.87.

17. Copy of caste certificate of Rajaiah Nunna S/o.Ankaiah, Lingaraopalem village of Edlapadu Mandal issued by the Mandal RevenueOfficer, Edlapadu dt.24.3.87.

Kollipara Venkateswara Prasad S/o.Anjilingam, 57 Yrs., R/o.Visakhapatnam stated that he is working as Junior Officer in steel plant, Visakhapatnam. He belongs to Beda Jangam Community got employment on the basis of caste certificate issued by the Tahsildar, Guntur on 24.9.1982 and enclosed the same for perusal, his children are also having the certificates of Beda Jangam Community. By relation Sri Ganesh's sister given to his paternal uncle. He further stated that his father and fore fathers attended the funerals of Mala/Madiga communities in the villages and Vibudidharies and non vegetarians. Remarriages and Widow marriages are allowed in their families. He further stated that his father and forefathers used to attend the funerals of Mala, Madiga communities in the villages. They are vibudidharies and non vegetarians. Re-marriages and Widow marriages are allowed in their families. He requested to consider and certify that Sri Ganesh belongs to Beda Janagam.

<u>Dhupam Satyam S/o.Late Suryanarayana, 68 Yrs., R/o.Viksahapatnam</u> stated that he is a retired employee of Hindustan Zinc Ltd., Visakhapatnam and belongs to Bedajangam community. The Rev.Divl.Officer, Visakhapatnam issued the certificate on 13.8.1999 and enclosed the same for scrutiny. He further stated that the individual is their nearest relative and attended family functions. He further stated that his father and fore fathers attended the funerals of Mala/Madiga communities in the villages and Vibudidharies and non vegetarians. Remarriages and Widow marriages are allowed in their families.

The Dy.Director, Social Welfare, Guntur has submitted report vide in Rc.C1/204/2013, dt.29.4.14, stating that the individual Sri G.Ganesh has been directed over phone to attend in their office with the original certificates which was produced by the individual before the DLSC besides documentary evidences of the blood relatives. But the individual has failed to produce the documentary evidences of his blood relatives and produced the original copies of the certificates produced before the DLSC only.

Further the Dy.Director, Social Welfare has stated G.O.Ms.84, SW (CV1) Dept., dt.6.5.2008 and G.O.Ms.No.144, SW(CV1) Dept., dt.17.7.2008 indicates the competent authority for issue of Beda Jangam/Budga Jangam - SC Caste Certificates. As per G.P.Ms.No.144 the Beda Jangam/Budga Jangam - SC Caste Certificates can be issued by the Tahsildars within the territorial jurisdiction of Hyderabad, Rangareddy and some other districts now in Telangana State. As per above G.O Beda Jangam/Budga Jangam Caste Certificates can not be issued in Andhra Area. Further the J.D, Social Welfare, Guntur reported that the caste of Sri Garikaparthi Ganesh S/o Monohan was recorded as Jangam BC-A in the school and college records and the indivual cannot claim SC reservation but he secured Government Job by claiming false caste certificate as belonging to the Beda Jangam/Budga Jangam(SC).

The District Level Scrutiny Committee (DLSC) after examining the issue observed that the State Government appointed One Man Commission to study the existence of Beda Jangam/Budga Jangam people in A.P state and the Committee had visited Guntur District on 20.06.2018 and therefore the recommendations of the Committee may be awaited.

A letter dt.02.08.2018 was sent to the General Manager, Security Printing Press, Mint Compound, Hyderabad stating that the DLSC has taken up the case and the matter is under process and the recommendation of the Commission will have a direct bearing on the Caste status of the employee in question, hence, the DLSC members decided that it is appropriate to wait for recommendation of the Commission.

At this juncture, the Deputy Manager(HR), Security Printing Press, Mint Compound, Hyderabad filed W.P.No.5812 of 2019 impleading the District Collector, Guntur and the Joint Collector, Guntur as 1st and 2nd respondents and Sri G. Ganesh(the respondent before the DLSC whose caste status is under enquiry) as 3rd respondent seeking direction to the 1st and 2nd respondents to complete the enquiry proceedings pending before the DLSC on the caste status of 3rd respondent. The 3rd respondent retired from Govt. Service on 31.08.2015 on attaining the age of superannuation.

It is further submitted that the JD, Social Welfare submitted a report stating that the caste of the individual was recorded as "Jangam(BC-A) in his school and college records and he intentionally obtained Beda Jangam(SC) certificate from the then MRO, Guntur for getting employment by claiming SC reservation and he is not eligible for claiming reservation under SC as his caste can not be changed. Further the same fact was mentioned at para No.4 of the writ affidavit filed by the Deputy Manager(HR), Security Printing Press in WP.No.5812 of 2019.

As per the instructions of the Joint Collector, a Notice dt.19.11.2022 was issued to the respondent with a direction to attend for hearing before the Joint Collector & Chairman, DLSC on 03.12.2022.

Accordingly the case was called on 03.12.2022. The respondent was present before the DLSC.

The respondent submitted his written arguments as follows:

In pursuance of the notice issued by the District Level Scrutiny Committee, the respondent appeared before the committee and submitted the caste certificates issued to him by the Tahsildar, Guntur dt.30.09.1982 and dt.15.10.1983. He stated that the said certificates clearly discloses that the Tahsildar issued the caste certificates after thorough verification of his case. He produced the caste certificates of his children viz, Garikiparthi Harshini dt.28.07.1990 and Garikiparthi Naga Rajesh dt.28.07.1990. The following persons filed their statements in support of his claim on

- 1. One Sri Uddandu Mallikarjuna Rao said to be a close relative of the responsent also appeared before the DLSC and submitted his statement stating that he belongs to Beda Jangam Caste and the mother of Garikiparthi Ganesh and mother of Uddandu Mallikarjuna Rao are own sisters and the RDO, Ongole issued caste certificate in his favour certifying him as Scheduled caste (Beda Jangam) and his children were also issued with the SC Caste certificate. He also produced the Transfer certificate of Hindu College, Gutur, where he studied Degree. In the said Transfer certificate the caste of Udandu Mallikarjuna Rao is shown as SC (Beda Jangam). Apart from the said certificate Sri Udandu Mallikarjuna Rao also filed a document of granting loan in his favour under SC category by the then District Collector Sri JC Sharma, IAS who was also Chairman of Prakasam District Scheduled caste cooperative society Ltd, sanctioning loan in his favour, treating him as SC candidate on 20.04.1994 and subsequently the then Chief Minister Sri YS Rajasekhar Reddy waived of the said loan amount.
- 2. one Sri Kollipara Venkateswara Prasad S/o K.Anji Lingam R/o Visakhapatnam also appeared before the DLSC and submitted his affidavit. He deposed that he was an employee of Visakhapatnam Steel Plant and belongs to Beda Jangam caste. He further stated that he got the employment on the basis of Scheduled caste issued by the Tahsildar, Emani, Guntur District dt.24.09.1987. He further stated that I am the nearest relative to him as my sister was given to the paternal uncle of Sri Kollipara Venkateswara Prasad. He also stated about the caste customs of Beda Jangam and which they are following. Along with his said affidavit he also enclosed the supporting documents.
- 3. Sri Dhupam Satyam S/o Late Surya Narayana, R/o Visakhapatnam. He deposed that he belongs to Beda Jangam community and he also enclosed the caste certificate issued in his favour by RDO, Visakhapatnam certifying that Sri Dhupam Satyam belongs to Beda Jangam caste which is scheduled caste. In the said certificate reference to G.O.Ms.No.58, dt.12.05.1997 is shown. Sri Dhoopam Satyam in his statement stated that I am known to him since more than 13 years and I am nearest relative of his son in law Sri Venkatesh Devar and he used to attend the functions in our house. He also stated that his forefathers used to attend funeral functiones of Mala, Madiga families in the villages and they are Viboodhidharis and non vegetarians. Remarriages and widow marriages are allowed in their families and they were also issued with Scheduled Caste certificate. He submitted his affidavit on 22.04.2013 along with supporting documents.
- 4. On the same day i.e., on 22.04.2013 one Sri L. Nooka Raju S/o Paidaiah R/o Pedda Gantyala, Visakhapatnam also appeared before the DLSC and submitted his statement. He stated that he has been working in Visakhapatnam steel plant since 1983 on the basis of SC Certificate issued in his favour since he belongs to Beda Jangam Caste. He also stated that he knows me since more than 10 years. He also enclosed the caste certificate dt.10.05.1995 issued in his favour by the RDO, Visakhapatam. In the said certificate also the reference to G.O.Ms.No.58, dt.12.05.1997 was shown.
- 5. On 10.06.2013 one Sri Itikarlapally Neelakantam S/o Late Paidithalli R/o Visakhapatnam also appeared before the DLSC and submitted his statement stating that he is his relative and he used to attend the functions in his house and he also followed the caste customs of Beda Jangam. Along with the said statement Sri Neelakantam enclosed the copies of the service book, caste certificate and other relevant documents.
- 6. one Sri Garikiparthi Nageswar Rao S/o Mallikarjuna Rao R/o Santhpeta, Ongole, Prakasam District is son of his paternal uncle i.e., Sri Nageswar Rao is son of the own brother of his father. He was issued Caste Certificate by the Tahsildar, Ongole on 17.06.1982 as a SC (Beda Jangam). Since he died on 14.05.2013, he filed the relevant documents to show that Garikiparthi Nageswara Rao who is his blood relative and he was issued caste certificate as Scheduled Caste.
- 7. He stated that the enquiry was adjourned from time to time and on the dates whenever the inquiry is post he attended the Inquiry.

- 8. He pleaded that the Government of A.P. issued G.O.Ms.No.838, General Administration Department dt; 15-7-1977 including the caste of Beda Jangam under schedule caste community, in pursuance of Gazette publication of Government of India. Though petitioner belongs to Beda Jangam caste, in his school certificates it was written as Jangam when he studied 10th class, Intermediate and Degree before 1977. After Government issued G.O.Ms.No.838 dt; 15-12-1977, first time petitioner applied for Caste certificate, in the year 1982 and in the year 1983. The Tahsildar, Guntur after verification, issued the caste certificate to him as Beda Jangam (SC).
- 9. He stated that in fact the District Collector, Chittoor in the case of one Sri S.Shankaraiah held that the certificate issued in favour of Sri S.Shankaraiah as Beda Jangam is valid, after thorough discussions with regard to the caste of Jangam and Beda Jangam. The said proceedings of the District Collector, Chittoor dt; 2-5-1999 is filed herewith for kind perusal of the DLSC.
- 10. He stated that one Smt M.Anuradha daughter of Nagalingam was resident of Bodhan, Nizamabad District belongs to Beda Jangam Caste. She was also issued with Schedule caste certificate. However, on the certificate issued in favour of her, an enquiry was conducted. Smt Anuradha also produced witnesses in support of her claim. The Asst. Collector, Bodhan submitted a report to the District Collector stating that as per the statements of witnesses and the characteristics of the family of Anuradha, she belongs to Beda Jangam. The copy of the said report which could obtained by me is enclosed herewith.
- 11. He further submitted that one Sri G.Rathnaiah S/o.Subbaiah, Retd. Employee, P&T Department who belongs to Beda Jangam was issued SC caste certificate and it was cancelled by the District Collector. He filed appeal and accordingly Government considered the appeal and issued G.O.Ms.No.7, dt: 22-1-2005 setting aside the cancellation order and confirmed the caste certificate of D.Rathnaiah as Beda Jangam (SC).
- 12. The respondent stated that he retired from service on 31-8-2015. Presently his age is 68 years, though his children were issued SC caste certificate as "Beda Jangam", both the children did not use the said certificates, so far.
- 13. There is no adverse evidence before the DLSC, with regard to his caste certificate.
- 14. The Commissioner of Social Welfare addressed letter No.R1/8697/2008 dt; 25-4-2009 to all the District Collectors, Andhra and Rayalaseema regions informing that as per G.O.Ms.No.144 dt; 17-7-2008, Government have issued orders for imposition of area restriction to Telangana Districts only, as per A.P. Gazettee notification dt; 2-10-2003 and as per the Act.61 of 2002 of Govt. of India dt; 8-12-2002. Accordingly specific instructions were given to all the District collectors of Andhra and Rayalaseema regions and they were requested to take necessary action to cancel the caste certificate issued by the Revenue Divisional Officers immediately, which were issued subsequent to the amendment i.e., after 8-12-2002.
- 15. He further stated that his paternal Uncle son Garikaparthi Venkatramana is resident of Guntur. He was issued with Caste Certificate by Mandal Revenue Officer, Guntur on 23.03.1989 declaring that Garikaparthi Venkatramana belongs to Beda Jangam caste which is scheduled caste. His brother Garikaparthi Venkata Nagabhushanam Devara was also issued with caste certificate by RDO Guntur, on 28.07.1987, declaring that Mr.Garikaparthi Venkata Nagabhushanam belongs to Beda Jangam caste which is scheduled caste. The said certificate are enclosed here with for kind perusal of the authority, the father of Garikaparthi Venkataramana Devara and Garikaparthi Venkata Nagabhushanam, Sri G.Madan Mohan is none other than his paternal uncle and who belongs to his family and whose surname is Garikaparthi. He therefore requested kind authority to consider the same.

- 16. He stated that the SC certificates issued to him on 30-9-1982 and 15-10-1983.
- 17. He further stated that the Govt. also issued G.O.Ms.No.58, Social Welfare dt: 12-5-1997 issuing the rules with regard to issuance of community, nativity and date of birth certificates in favour of schedule caste and schedule tribes and backward classes in the State. The said rules came into force w.e.f. 16-5-1997. He stated that Rule 21 of the above rules reads as follows.

Rule 21 SAVINGS:

The Community certificate issued by the competent authority prior to the commencement of these rules should be treated as valid certificate.

He pleaded that it is clear that in view of savings clause in G.O.Ms.No.58 dt; 12-5-1997, the caste certificate issued to him should be treated as valid certificate.

He further stated he studied from V class to Degree in Guntur District. During his studies, he did not obtain the SC caste certificate and as stated above, he first time obtained the caste certificate in the year 1982 as Beda Jangam (SC), after the notification issued by Government of India as well as Government of Andhra Pradesh by treating the Beda Jangam Caste as SC.

He stated that he and his family members follow the caste customs of Beda Jangam caste as they are Vibhoodhidharis and Non vegetarians and also perform the funerals of Mala, Madhiga community and remarriages are allowed in their families. They take Beda when they perform funeral functions in the Mala, Madiga houses. Therefore they were called as Beda Jangams and they blow Sanku and also go for begging.

He finally stated that he retired from service on 31.08.2015 and the statements given by his near relatives give wait to his claim that he belongs to Beda Jangam which is SC Caste. Therefore his claim is genuine claim and he belongs to the Scheduled caste.

It is submitted that the individual presented Sri Uddandu Mallikarjuna Rao, Sri Dhupam Satyam and Sri Kollipara Venkateswara Prasad, L. Nooka Raju and Itikarlapally Neelakantam said to be his relatives who stated that they belong to Beda Jangam (SC). But there is no authenticated evidence to prove their statement and their relation with respondent is not established.

He claimed that Garikaparthi Venkata Ramana, his paternal Uncle was also issued Beda Jangam (SC) certificate by the MRO, Guntur and his brother Venkata Naga Bhushanam was also issued Beda Jangam (SC) certificate by the RDO, Guntur. But these two individuals not attended before the DLSC, moreover the respondent stated that he is not aware of the address of his blood relatives.

The JD, Social Welfare has submitted a report stating that the caste of the individual was recorded as "Jangam(BC-A) in his school and college records and he intentionally obtained Beda Jangam(SC) certificate from the then MRO, Guntur for getting employment by claiming SC reservation and he is not eligible for claiming reservation under SC as his caste can not be changed. Further the same fact was mentioned at para No.4 of the writ affidavit filed by the Deputy Manager(HR), Security Printing Press in WP.No.5812 of 2019.

The individual himself stated that he obtained Beda Jangam (SC) certificate first time in the year 1982 and again in the year 1983, prior to that he had not obtained Beda Jangam caste certificate.

His caste is recorded as "Jangam" which comes under BC-A in the School/College records. Therefore, it is evident that the individual obtained "Beda Jangam (SC)" caste certificate in the year 1982 and 1983 for the purpose of getting employment under SC reservation quota.

The District Level Scrutiny Committee reviewed the enquiry report of the Joint Director, Social Welfare, Guntur and the evidences produced by the individual and came to a view that the individual has obtained the "BEDA JANGAM-SC" caste certificate after completion of his studies i.e. only for employment purpose and got job basing on the "BEDA JANGAM-SC" caste certificates. The caste of the individual in the School and College was recorded as "Jangam" which comes under BC-A Category. The individual had 4 brothers and 3 sisters but he failed to produce his blood relatives before the DLSC for enquiry to prove his caste claim moreover he admitted that he did not know the whereabouts of his brothers and sisters. The individual has produced some more caste certificates in support of his caste claim, but he could not establish the relationship with the individuals, moreover the genuineness of the caste certificates also not proved. The individual also failed to furnish the extract of his father's Service Register who said to have served in the State Government to know his caste in support of his claim that he belongs to "Beda Jangam (SC)". His claim that Sec.21 of the Andhra Pradesh (Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes) Regulation of Issue of Community Certificates Act, 1993 applies to his case is also not tenable, since the full text of the Sec.21 of the Andhra Pradesh (Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes) Regulation of Issue of Community Certificates Act, 1993 is not produced by the individual. As per Sec. 21 of the above Act, a community certificate issued before commencement of the Act shall be valid unless it is cancelled under the provisions of this Act.

Accordingly the District Level Scrutiny Committee recommends that the caste certificate dt.30.09.1982 and the caste certificate dt.15.10.1983 issued to Sri Garikaparthi Ganesh S/o Manohan as "BEDA JANGAM (SC)" by the Tahsildar, Guntur shall be cancelled.

Agreeing with the recommendations of the District Level Scrutiny Committee, a final notice was issued by the Collector, Guntur to show cause why the "BEDA JANGAM (SC)" caste certificate dt.30.09.1982 and the caste certificate dt.15.10.1983 issued to Sri Garikaparthi Ganesh S/o Manohan by the Tahsildar, Guntur should not be cancelled, basing on the recommendations of the District Level Scrutiny Committee.

In this regard, Sri Garikaparthi Ganesh S/o Manohan, the respondent appeared before the District Collector on 16.02.2023 and filed his written contentions. But he could not file any evidence in support of his claim that he and his parents belong to "Beda Jangam (SC)" caste except showing School TC. He could not file any corroborative evidence on behalf of his parents and blood relatives. Therefore it is construed that there is no evidence in support of his claim. Thus it is proved that the individual does not belong to Beda Jangam (SC). Accordingly the recommendation made by the DLSC is confirmed.

In view of the above, I, M.Venu Gopal Reddy, I.A.S., Collector & District Magistrate, Guntur in exercise of the powers conferred by the Government U/s.5(1) of the A.P.(SC, ST & BCs) Regulation of Issue of Community Certificates Act, 16 of 1993 read with Rule 9(7) of AP (SC, ST & BC) issue of Community, Nativity and Date of Birth Certificate Rules 1997 communicated in G.O.Ms.No.58, Social Welfare Department dt.12.5.1997, hereby cancel the "BEDA JANGAM (SC)" caste certificates issued to Sri Garikaparthi Ganesh S/o Manohan by the Tahsildar, Guntur vide Certificate dt.30.09.1982 and the caste certificate dt.15.10.1983.

A notification to this effect shall be published in the A.P.State Gazette.

An appeal lies to the Government against this order within 30 days from the date of publication of this order in the AP State Gazette.

M.VENU GOPAL REDDY,

Collector & District Magistrate, Guntur.

To

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- 2. The General Manager, Security Printing Press, Mint Coumpound, Saifabad, Hyderabad- 500 063.

Office of the Collector & District Magistrate Guntur. dt. 07.02.2024.

Rc.No.415/2009/C4,

NOTIFICATION

In view of the recommendations of the District Level Scrutiny Committee and in exercise of powers conferred Under Sec.5(1) of the AP (SC, ST & BCs) Regulation of Issue of Community Certificates Act 16 of 1993, read with Rule 9(7) of AP (SC, ST & BC) Issue of Community, Nativity and Date of Birth Certificate Rules, 1997, communicated vide G.O.Ms.No.58, Social Welfare (J) Department, dt.12.5.1997, it is hereby declared that the "BEDA JANGAM (SC)" Caste Certificates issued by the then <u>Tahsildar, Guntur on 30.09.1982 and 15.10.1983</u> in respect of Sri Garikaparthi Ganesh S/o Manohan_is hereby cancelled.

M.VENU GOPAL REDDY,
Collector & District Magistrate,
Guntur.

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